

**FLOOR SCHEDULE FOR TUESDAY, JULY 23, 2013**

HOUSE MEETS AT:	FIRST VOTE PREDICTED:	LAST VOTE PREDICTED:
<b>10:00 a.m.: Morning Hour</b> <b>12:00 p.m.: Legislative Business</b>  <b>Fifteen "One Minutes" per side</b>	<b>1:30 – 2:30 p.m.</b>	<b>10:00 – 11:00 p.m.</b>

**\*\*Members are advised that the GOP Leadership has announced that votes will occur after 7:00 p.m. when the House is considering Appropriations bills, and that the House will be voting late into the evening today.**

**[H.Res. 312](#) – Rule providing for consideration of both H.R. 2397 – Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2014 (Rep. Young (FL) – Appropriations) and H.R. 2610 – Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2014 (Rep. Latham – Appropriations) (One Hour of Debate).** For H.R. 2397, the Rules Committee has recommended a structured Rule that provides for one hour of general debate equally divided between the Chair and Ranking Member of the Committee on Appropriations. The Rule allows 100 amendments, debatable for 10 minutes, except for amendments offered by Mr. Radel of Florida and Mr. Massie of Kentucky, which are debatable for 20 minutes, and amendments offered by Mr. Nugent of Florida and Mr. Amash of Michigan, which are debatable for 15 minutes, equally divided between the offeror and an opponent.

The Rule also provides the Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations authority to offer amendments en bloc, consisting of amendments not previously considered. All en bloc amendments are debatable for 20 minutes equally divided between the Chair and Ranking Member of the committee on Appropriations. The Rule allows one motion to recommit, with or without instructions and waives all points of order against the legislation.

For H.R. 2610, the Rules committee has recommended an open Rule that allows any amendments that comply with House Rules to be considered. The Rule provides for one hour of general debate, equally divided between the Chair and Ranking Member of the Committee on Appropriations. The Rule allows any Member to submit an amendment under the 5-minute Rule, but allows the Chair to give priority in recognition to those amendments pre-printed in the Congressional Record. It also allows pro forma amendments and one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

The Rules Committee rejected a motion by Ms. Slaughter of New York to consider H.R. 2397 under an open Rule. **Members are urged to VOTE NO on H.Res. 312.**

**Begin Consideration of [H.R. 2397](#) – Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2014 (Rep. Young (FL) – Appropriations) (One Hour of Debate).** H.R. 2397 appropriates \$512.5 billion in FY 2014 discretionary funding for the Department of Defense (\$26.2 billion above current FY 2013 funding after sequestration) plus an additional \$85.8 billion for Overseas Contingency Operations (OCO) (\$5 billion above the President’s request). The measure also includes a military pay raise of 1.8% (0.8% above the President’s request) and continues provisions prohibiting the transfer of Guantanamo detainees to the U.S.

Republicans are developing this year's spending bills based on the post-sequester \$967 billion discretionary spending cap included in the Republican (Ryan) Budget Resolution rather than the \$1.058 trillion cap agreed upon in the Budget Control Act. As a result, domestic appropriations bills were left with even less room for other agencies and programs, as Republicans fully fund the Defense Department while still promising \$91 billion in appropriations cuts. Their plan for shifting sequestration’s Defense cuts onto Non-Defense appropriations bills ignores the so-called Defense Firewall written into the Budget Control Act, and so would trigger an additional Defense cut of nearly \$48 billion on top of sequestration.

**A full list of the 100 amendments made in order can be found [HERE](#).**

**Bill Text for H.R. 2397:**  
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**Background for H.R. 2397:**

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## **TOMORROW'S OUTLOOK**

The GOP Leadership has announced the following schedule for Wednesday, July 24: The House will meet at 12:00 p.m. for legislative business. The House is expected to continue consideration of H.R. 2397 – Department of Defense Appropriations Act (Rep. Young (FL) – Appropriations).

### **The Daily Quote**

"Some of my Republican colleagues are already saying we won't raise the debt limit unless there's repeal of Obamacare. I'd love to repeal Obamacare, but I promise you that's not going to happen on the debt limit. So some would like to set up another one of these shutdown-the-government threats. And most Americans are really tired of those kinds of shenanigans here in Washington."

- Sen. John McCain, Washington Post, 7/22/13